

Over the years, M. Jacob & Sons has contributed to a number of local charities. Most recently, in honor of their 125th anniversary, the company endowed a \$125,000 scholarship to Wayne State University.

I know my colleagues join me in commending all those who have contributed to the success of M. Jacob & Sons over the last 125 years.●

REMEMBERING JOSEPH SHAWINSKY

●Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I wish to pay tribute to the extraordinary life and service of Joseph Shawinsky, a teacher, a leader in our community, and personal hero of mine. Mr. Shawinsky was a true American patriot, a valued leader and teacher in the Stamford community who touched the lives of hundreds of students. Beloved for his enthusiasm and wit, his brilliant mind and big heart, Joseph Shawinsky will be missed deeply.

I knew Joseph Shawinsky for many years and have long treasured the example he set in his career of devoted service. As his student at Burdick Junior High School, Mr. Shawinsky made history come alive for me and my classmates and instilled in me a deep love of our country's story. He also taught me about the importance of leadership, how much good leaders could influence human history for the better. Mr. Shawinsky was himself a touchstone of the greatest generation and his own great story will inspire me and others around the country for years to come.

During the Second World War, Joe. Shawinsky served our country with courage and distinction as a Seabee in the 133rd Naval Construction Battalion. He was one of the first fighting Americans to go ashore during the 1945 assault on Iwo Jima, a battle in which some of the fiercest fighting in the Second World War took place a battle that revealed the uncommon courage of Joe Shawinsky and the Americans who served alongside him.

For decades, Joseph Shawinsky illuminated the hearts and minds of his students, his colleagues, and everyone who knew him. We, his students, were blessed with the opportunity to have learned from Joseph Shawinsky, and I believe more broadly that our State and this nation are blessed to have people like him who truly enrich our schools, our children, and our future.

My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Shawinsky family.●

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL W. SHERMAN

●Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I wish to commend and congratulate Michael W. Sherman upon his retirement as executive director of YMCA Camp Woodstock, located in Woodstock Valley, CT. Mike has been humbly shaping the lives of countless children and young adults in Connecticut's "Quiet

Corner" since 1987, and he will leave his position after 24 years of service. He has dedicated his life to making Camp Woodstock a safe and fun place for our kids to learn how to respect one another's differences, become leaders in their communities, and be good stewards of our environment.

A gifted storyteller, Mike is known for his boundless creativity and enthusiasm. As his friends will tell you, when Mike speaks, people listen; and he has masterfully used this talent to inspire a very special culture at Camp Woodstock, embodied in its "CHoRR" values of Caring, Honesty, Respect, and Responsibility. A truly remarkable man, Mike Sherman's contributions to the growth and success of Camp Woodstock, along with his unwavering commitment to helping young people, are his enduring legacy.

During his tenure, Mike has helped transition Camp Woodstock to year-round programming, reaching out to community leaders throughout the State and deepening ties to the YMCA of Greater Hartford. Camp Woodstock now proudly hosts the Discovery Center, which brings together children from urban and suburban schools to learn tolerance and celebrate diversity, and Moderate Voices for Progress, which teaches conflict resolution skills to young Israeli and Palestinian adults. Mike has also taken a special interest in helping disadvantaged youth in Hartford, championing special youth outreach and conflict resolution retreats throughout the year. Over the years, he has led volunteers in raising nearly \$1 million in financial aid so that less fortunate children throughout the State could experience the "Woodstock spirit."

Mike's most important contribution to Camp Woodstock has been his keen ability to recognize and nurture the human capital that makes Camp Woodstock so unique. Mike embraced a long tradition of campers growing up to become counselors and expanded on that concept by developing the leader-in-training and counselor-in-training programs for young adults. Also, under Mike's skillful leadership, Camp Woodstock has boosted its recruitment of international staff and has forged special relationships with YMCAs in Russia and the Dominican Republic.

Amid the tranquil pines of Woodstock and the calm shores of Black Pond, that have remained unchanged for generations, Mike has overseen the renovation and restoration of Camp Woodstock's facilities, including nearly all of the cabins, bathhouses, the Program Lodge, and the transformation of a beloved old barn into a program space containing an arts and crafts center, theater, and state-of-the-art indoor climbing wall. Mike's leadership has enabled Camp Woodstock to expand, as well, with the construction of a new climbing tower, the Roskin Lodge, for youth leadership training, the Lakeside Dining Hall, and, most recently, New Yurt City, a special living area for older campers.

I am honored today to pay tribute to Mike Sherman and wish him and his loving wife Susan all the best in their well-earned retirement. Mike has made Camp Woodstock a far better place; and, although he may be leaving as executive director, his lessons, like his stories, will live on for years to come. It is with great pride that I recognize such a distinguished leader, educator, and outstanding citizen for his service to Connecticut and the Nation.●

TIMBERFEST 2010

●Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, today I congratulate the residents of Sheridan in my home State of Arkansas as they celebrate Timberfest, a time-honored tradition that commemorates Sheridan and Grant County's longstanding involvement with the timber industry. As many as 12,000 visitors are expected in Sheridan during the event, which will take place Friday and Saturday, October 1-2.

Timberfest began in 1984 when members of the local Chamber of Commerce decided to combine the annual bluegrass festival and merchants' fair into one event.

Centered on the Grant County Courthouse Square, Timberfest offers a variety of events for the entire family, including a parade, 5K Run and 2K Walk, horseshoe tournament, talent show, games, petting zoo, Dutch Oven cook-off, music, and pancake breakfast.

The highlight of Timberfest is the Arkansas State Lumberjack Championships. Lumberjacks from across the country travel to Sheridan to compete in the championship, where competitors battle it out with ax and chainsaw to see who is fastest at cutting wood.

I salute the entire community of Sheridan and Grant County as they celebrate Timberfest 2010. I commend them for keeping the history and heritage of their community alive.●

ARKANSAS'S BUSINESS LEADERS

●Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, today I recognize four Arkansas business leaders who will be inducted into the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame early next year. They are L. Dickson Flake, cofounder and chairman of Colliers International-Arkansas in Little Rock; Wallace Fowler, chairman and chief executive officer of Liberty Bank of Arkansas and also Fowler Foods, both based in Jonesboro; Donald Soderquist, retired senior vice chairman of Wal-Mart Stores of Bentonville; and Leland Tollett, former chairman and chief executive of Tyson Foods of Springdale.

The Sam M. Walton College of Business established the first ever Arkansas Business Hall of Fame recognizing Arkansans—by birth or by choice—who have been successful business leaders. The Arkansas Business Hall of Fame is designed to honor, preserve and perpetuate the names and outstanding accomplishments of business leaders who have brought lasting fame to Arkansas.